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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

#### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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In re patent application of CHRISTOPHER R. CLARE, ET AL.

Serial No. 09/495,005

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For:

SURGICAL FLUID MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

WITH SUCTION CONTROL

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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application mailed April 5, 2000, enclosed please find an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney in connection with the aboveidentified application. I am also enclosing a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The Examiner is authorized to charge \$130 to Deposit Account No. 19-1218 to cover the United States Patent and Trademark Office fee associated with the late filing of the Declaration and Power of Attorney.

If anyone in the Application Branch has any questions concerning the present application, he or she is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (732) 777-9050. If any additional fees, including extension fees, are required in connection with this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 19-1218. In the meantime, written communications regarding the application should be forwarded to Ralph W. Selitto, Jr. Esq. at the mailing address below.

Very truly yours.

By: Ralph W. Selitto, Jr.

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